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In re Application of:

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For: SHOE HAVING A CONTOURED BOTTOM  
WITH SMALL PARTICLES BONDED TO  
THE LOWEST EXTENDING PORTIONS  
THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 3728

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.99, Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the references identified on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a, which the Examiner might consider to be material to patentability of the subject application. In addition, the Examiner is respectfully requested to review the file histories (including the analyses and conclusions reached by the patent office, together with the cited prior art) of U.S. Patent

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Application Serial Nos. 10/438,375 (now U.S. Patent No. 7,191,549), 11/674,668 and 11/530,419, which are in the same family as the present application and which have related claims.

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